

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00379-RCL**

PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. v. OFFICE OF  
MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET et al  
Assigned to: Judge Royce C. Lamberth

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[1:18-cv-02644-RCL](#)

Date Filed: 02/20/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/20/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5339363) filed by PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A, # <u>3</u> Exhibit B, # <u>4</u> Exhibit C, # <u>5</u> Exhibit D, # <u>6</u> Exhibit E, # <u>7</u> Exhibit F, # <u>8</u> OMB Summons, # <u>9</u> DOC Summons, # <u>10</u> AG Summons, # <u>11</u> US Atty Summons) (Florence, Justin) (Entered: 02/20/2018)
02/20/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. (zsb) (Entered: 02/22/2018)
02/20/2018	<u>3</u>	NOTICE OF RELATED CASE by PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC.. Case related to Case No. 17-2561. (zsb) (Entered: 02/22/2018)
02/22/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Royce C. Lamberth. (zsb) (Entered: 02/22/2018)
02/22/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsb) (Entered: 02/22/2018)
03/09/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/7/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/6/2018. (Florence, Justin) (Entered: 03/09/2018)
03/09/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 3/1/2018. (Florence, Justin) (Entered: 03/09/2018)
03/09/2018	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET served on 3/1/2018; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE served on 2/28/2018 (Florence, Justin) (Entered: 03/09/2018)

04/06/2018	<u>8</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua M. Kolsky on behalf of OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 04/06/2018)
04/06/2018	<u>9</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.(Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 04/06/2018)
04/20/2018	<u>10</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Dennis John Lawson on behalf of PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. (Lawson, Dennis) (Entered: 04/20/2018)
04/20/2018	<u>11</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Matthew Larrabee, :Firm– Dechert LLP, :Address– 1095 Avenue of the Americas, NY,NY 10036. Phone No. – 212/698–3578. Fax No. – 212/314–0023 Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090–5435158. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Matthew Larrabee, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Lawson, Dennis) (Entered: 04/20/2018)
04/20/2018	<u>12</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Nicholas Passaro, :Firm– Dechert LLP, :Address– 1095 Avenue of the Americas, NY,NY 10036. Phone No. – 212/649–8755. Fax No. – 212–698–3599 Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090–5435187. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by PROTECT DEMOCRACY PROJECT, INC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Nicholas Passaro, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Lawson, Dennis) (Entered: 04/20/2018)
04/27/2018	<u>13</u>	ORDER granting <u>12</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 4/26/18. (lsj) (Entered: 04/27/2018)
04/27/2018	<u>14</u>	ORDER granting <u>11</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 4/26/18. (lsj) (Entered: 04/27/2018)
05/18/2018	<u>15</u>	ORDER directing the government to produce a Vaughn Index with supporting motions to dismiss or summary judgment by 6/21/2018. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 5/17/18. (lsj) (Entered: 05/21/2018)
06/20/2018	<u>16</u>	Consent MOTION to Vacate <i>Summary Judgment Motion Deadline</i> by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 06/20/2018)
07/06/2018	<u>17</u>	ORDER granting <u>16</u> Motion to Vacate. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 7/6/2018. (lcrcl3) (Entered: 07/06/2018)
07/09/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 9/4/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 07/09/2018)
09/04/2018	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 09/04/2018)
11/05/2018	<u>19</u>	STATUS REPORT by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Kolsky, Joshua) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
12/21/2018	<u>20</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Paul Cirino on behalf of All Defendants Substituting for attorney Joshua M. Kolsky (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 12/21/2018)
01/02/2019	<u>21</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Stay <i>in Light of Lapse in Appropriations</i> by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 01/02/2019)
01/16/2019	<u>22</u>	ORDER granting <u>21</u> Motion to Stay. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 1/16/2019. (lcrcl2) (Entered: 01/16/2019)
01/29/2019	<u>23</u>	NOTICE of <i>Restored Government Funding</i> by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
02/01/2019	<u>24</u>	Proposed Briefing Schedule by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cirino, Paul) Modified on 2/4/2019 to correct docket text (jf). (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/21/2019	<u>25</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 02/21/2019)

03/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The stay entered on 1/16/2019 is lifted and the parties shall confer and submit another joint status report on or before April 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Royce C. Lamberth on 03/01/2019. (lcrl3) Modified on 3/4/2019 (zlsj). (Entered: 03/01/2019)
04/22/2019	<u>26</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 04/22/2019)
06/21/2019	<u>27</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 06/21/2019)